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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of	)	
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SUNG, <i>et al</i>	)	
	)	Group Art Unit: 1652
Serial No. 09/856,025	)	
	)	Examiner: RAO, Manjunath
Filed: September 13, 2001	)	
	)	Confirmation No.: 2247
For: THERMOSTABLE XYLANASES	)	

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

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Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action dated November 26, 2004, Applicants submit herewith a Request for Continued Examination. Please consider the remarks, arguments, and preliminary claim amendments offered below.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which beings on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.